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Dear Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action mailed March 6, 2002, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend Claim 15 as follows:

15. (Fourth time Amended) A composition comprising (i) a non replicative recombinant adenoviral vector wherein said non replicative recombinant adenoviral vector comprises a heterologous polynucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide, which polynucleotide sequence is inserted into a deleted E1 region of said non replicative recombinant adenoviral vector and is under the control of a promoter selected from the promoter contained in the Long Terminal Repeat of Rous Sarcoma Virus, the promoter of the IE gene of cytomegalovirus, the Mouse Mammary Tumor Virus inducible promoter and the metallothionine promoter

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